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Election Invasion!

U of A Student Elections Bombard Augustana with Unfamiliar Faces

by Steve Hansen

Most of them appeared the morning of Thursday March 3. Nobody seemed to know where they came from. But one thing was certain—they weren't from around here.

Their names sounded funny—Alex, Adam, Justin, Wayne. Their surfaces were shiny, even professional in quality. They had serious, puzzling slogans like "A Safer Edmonton" and "Force the Government."

They covered the virgin walls. They hung from the dusty ceilings. And they blocked out the sun.

The Posters were absolutely everywhere. In bathroom stalls, on lampposts, and even on Milton's organ.

Democracy had never been so loud, so obnoxious. Or so real.

The Posters seemed to insist that there are issues actually worth voting on. Or

people actually worth voting for.

It was as though Augustana had suddenly grown up, or been admitted into an elite group.

But most students just looked at the posters as if they were caged primates, creatures beyond true human comprehension. And then the students went back to their routines, confident that these alien politicians were harmless

and would soon leave.

"Students of Augustana, it is time to elect your absentee-overlord. You must elect a leader who will watch over the quaint interests of your quaint university from a profound, unimaginable distance."

Have faith, the posters will soon be gone. But Augustana's step-dad, the U of A, and all of his drunken, bureaucratic friends are here to stay. Get used to the new era of futility.

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The Editors' Inanimates



The Periodic Table
of the Elements

Hydrogen, Helium,
Lithium, Beryllium, Boron,
Carbon, Nitrogen, Oxygen,
Fluorine, Neon, Sodium,
Magnesium, Aluminum,
Phosphorus, Sulfur, Chlorine,
Krypton, Potassium,
Calcium, Rubidium, Wolf-
ram, Plutonium, Iron, Ein-
steinium, Bohrium,
Turbonium, Earth, Wind,
Water, Fire, Heart! Captain
Planet!!!



A Piano

Contrary to popular belief, there is more theory involved in a piano than in the entire periodic table of elements.

At least that what the music department likes to think. The truth is there actually are no rules, no theory even. Not that I care. I just like to play, my theory follows me around.

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Satan Drives a Super-Duty

by Steve Hansen

With the official launch of the Kyoto Accord on February 16, many Albertans appear to be angry at Ottawa for threatening the break-neck growth of our energy-based economy with a speed bump. While it is true that much, if not all, of Alberta's provincial treasury is located in the muddy depths of Fort McMurray's oil sands, the announcement of the start of the Kyoto Age has brought chills to a new and interesting demographic—the "urban auto-gluttons."

Have you noticed that not just our highways, but even our residential side streets are being dominated with a new breed of super-vehicles? You know, the type that more closely resemble armored war-vessels than vehicles for human transportation? These behemoths, while often touted as spacious, safe, and sexy, are in fact environmental demons.

Allow me to illustrate a brief comparison. My car, a 17-year-old Toyota with seats for 5 and a spacious trunk, still manages to drive 45 miles per gallon of gas burned (I apologize for not using metric measurements). In contrast, a new SUV is lucky to achieve 20 miles per gallon even with a tailwind. Somewhere amidst the ubiquitous images of luxury and safety the gross inefficiency of the modern road-hulk has been able to hide its iniquities.

I know, you've probably heard this argument before and may have no desire to

continue reading. I urge you, though, to not be intellectually and ethically lazy! Laziness is, in some form or another, what much of the proliferation of gluttonous vehicles is founded on. Many of us, myself included, have gleaned our habits and beliefs from a society whose ideal lifestyle is *luxurious and comfortable*, words which reek of the ethical sin of laziness.

Let me attempt to dispel one myth about vehicles. If you believe that the efficiency of burning fossil fuels has increased in the last years, here is a clarification: Even the most efficient burning of a gallon of gas will always produce the same amount of CO₂. While the production of other noxious by-product gases has been regulated and decreased in recent decades, CO₂ is always produced in a combustion engine, and in proportional quantities. It is therefore logical to conclude that vehicles which burn more gasoline per mile emit more CO₂ into the environment.

It is these CO₂ emissions which the Kyoto Accord has aimed to cut, and in the process has infuriated urban auto-gluttons around Canada, and particularly in Alberta.

Many Albertans, however, seem to be in denial of the basic environmental facts. And can you blame them? If you have been working 40 hours per week to be able to afford the payments on a \$60,000 truck or SUV, and some tree-hugging

environmentalist tells you that you're being lazy, you would probably lose your temper. But the fact remains: inefficient vehicles are environmental tyrants.

While another existing myth holds that Alberta is a rural, rugged farming province and thus needy of rugged, powerful trucks, allow me to counter with a factual comparison to other provinces which may surprise you: Alberta is the 3rd most urban province in Canada. Only Ontario and British Columbia have a higher percentage of their populations living in cities. With 80.4% of Albertans living in cities, the argument that Albertans' rural lifestyles require bigger, stronger vehicles is bogus.

What, then, are the factors which make Albertans so protective of their trucks, SUVs, and their right to live in luxury? Well, Alberta, as you may or may not know, has a modern popular tradition of hyper-laissez-faire economics. Indeed, our province, under the leadership of Premier Ralph Klein, is ahead of most of Canada at the vanguard of the global capitalist economy.

It is therefore not surprising that Albertans, more than other Canadians, believe in their entitlement to possess luxuries. It's too bad, however, that this feeling of entitlement denies the destructive environmental impacts of our actions.

Don't be intellectually or ethically lazy!

Simple Economics

by Steve Hansen

The present human-created economy which encompasses us all is globally interconnected and highly complex. This global economy is founded on a few principles which are logically untenable.

Economists, for example, often assert that in order to maintain our current standard of living, our national economies must continue to grow at a steady rate. This assertion assumes that the economy has the ability to grow exponentially, and this assumption is entirely false. The amount of resources extracted from the environment for consumption simply cannot be increased year after year. The earth's regenerative capacities, while highly developed and often complex beyond the knowledge of mankind, are limited and cannot support exponentially increasing demands.

The natural world's regenerative processes have been able to sustain civilizations for centuries, but now in the 21st century the exponential curve has dramatically steepened, and these processes are under more stress. Many signs indicate that the earth's regenerative processes are beginning to falter. For example, the rate of species extinction has increased drastically in the last decades, as has the occurrence of drought and severe weather in many parts of the globe. While some people may argue that these "signs" in the natural world are not indicative of human-induced problems, and claim that the earth is simply going through a new phase entirely on its own, the fallacy of the notion of exponential growth still exists.

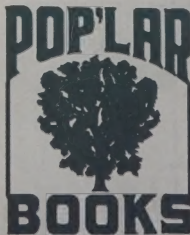
Amidst the debating about environmental impact, the global economy is continuing to push on, completely denying the devastating effects of increasing growth and consumption.

The difficulty lies in the how deeply most people's lives have been integrated into the global economy, and how little power they seem to have over their own economic decisions. The modern global economy, like no system ever before, has given many transnational companies the collective ability to drown out the din of the proverbial "marketplace" with the deafening roar of a loudspeaker. These companies, through intense marketing tactics and cutthroat competitiveness, have taken control of the most accessible areas of the marketplace and essentially reformed the economy to their liking. The result is not only the homogenization of our consumer options, but the unconscious homogenization of our ideals. Entire generations are raised under the umbrella of the same consumer products, and entire generations' ideals are cultivated in accordance with the existing economic system.

Ordinary citizens are encouraged to take advantage of the benefits of a flourishing economy by investing their money into faceless, nameless businesses which promise to give a 9% return to their investors every year. The implied message that is handed down to every citizen is that the economy must continue to grow, or else everybody will suffer.

The truth is that civilizations around the globe have existed and even thrived in no-growth economies for centuries. In fact, some of these civilizations still exist, often to the chagrin of modern capitalists. Living in a no-growth economy does not mean that humans must live in wood huts, plant gardens, and make their own clothes. Human endeavours can still be vigilantly sought after. Technology can be improved. Art can continue to flux and flourish. A no-growth economy means that our society, collectively, must not consume nature's resources faster than nature can replenish them.

I invite you to examine your life and determine whether your personal economic decisions imply the common assumptive fallacy of exponential growth. Our society and our individual lives can improve. The earth, however, cannot expand.



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Mert the Merman and his Many Mermistresses

by Modus I. Mmaculate

After reading Moroni chapter 5, Mert decides to put on his suit and tie and swim his weekly rounds to try to convert the local monogamists. He says goodbye to Myrtle. 'Manda, Mel, Meredith, Moronica, Melinda, and Margaret. Kissing each one on the mandible, each smiling merrily.

Mert is a meek merman and lately his mind has more and more been on matters encompassing his merMormon faith. He rounds the corner and at the end of the reef he swims into Mr. Mundy, the local drunk. Even now he's sucking the ink out of two good sized squid. "Hello Mr. Mundy, I hope you're merry on this fine Monday," Mert says full of mirth and meriment.

"Ackk, get outta here! You urchin! (belch)," Mundy replied, "You've stolen all of the mermaids in this flipperin' town and none are left for me! You caused this! (hiccup)."

"My maids are my business. They have mothered many mini-mers and are extremely magnificent to me, as I am to them. You should sober up and join the church Mundy! Quit making a

mockery of yourself and make use your mind."

Mundy passes out and will remain in the gutter until morning.

Mert floats away mulling over his multitudinous family tree all the way back to great great great uncle M. Joseph MerSmith who found the golden plates not many miles away from this very town of Montmer. What a Magnanimous discovery: Truth.

In his ruminations Mert feels suddenly tired and desires the company of his many merwives. On his way home his path crosses Maud's, Montmer's masochistic merwhore. She even maintains her mermaidhood in a merladylike fashion. Quite impressive actually. Mert talks to her every once in a while. He even pays her for her time—nothing ever happens of course—he could never be unfaithful to his merwives.

"Hey Mert," Maud called sensuously, "Wanna pay full price tonight dear? I'll include a manicure."

"No Maud, not tonight," he replied. "And Maud, you should quit being so mermisquous and come to church this weekend"

"No thanks hunny, I'll pass

on that one," she replies, "but if you want I can come meet all yer mermistresses tonight...I think they might admire me...you know, for a minor monetary mortgage I could show them a few tricks...heh... I bet you'd like that."

"You know that's against the rules Maud, missionary and one at a time, you know the drill."

"What monotony you merMormons must endure for the many years of your marriages..." she says with a mystifying wink.

"All in a good day Maud, all in a good day."

"Goodbye, Mert try not to have a mundane Monday."

And suddenly the waters were moved almost miraculously and a multitude of malicious mercenaries surrounded Mert. Mert was mortified, he was not ready to join the immortal ranks of the mer-angels on the land above. He was not done molding the masses of monogamists into a mighty militia of merMormons battling metaphorically for merMormonism. He has so much left to do.

He was merdered, the monitoring authorities were notified of the mermaid massacre. ★

To N.S. and A.H. from J.W.

A liberal arts schooling helps an individual grow into the husk of their potential. It teaches a person to read, think and then take action, to question, deliberate and then theorize, to listen, listen, and then listen. It has taught me to take everything and everyone seriously, but to not take what they say as universal or even necessarily true. It has taught me that, yes, everything is arguable, but this fact doesn't mean that I am excused from the argument. It has taught me the important difference between belief and knowledge and that one need not know what one can only believe, and one should not be so stubborn as to disbelieve something that he cannot know. Belief is truth, knowledge is relative.

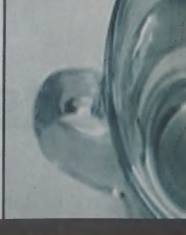
My liberal arts education has taught me that guidelines are put into place for a small handful of reasons 1) to maintain order 2) to maintain control or 3) because that's the way it has always been. Usually guidelines are put into place for a hybrid intermediate of these three reasons. An intermediate reason usually produces an intermediately strict guideline in which a bell-curve mentality is comparable. When operating within this kind of system there are important rules to follow but there is leeway in either direction. You may get a fair warning or a nudge back on track, but you won't get shoved off the plate onto the floor. Some super-strict guidelines I agree with: True plagiarism, in which someone's intellectual property is outright stolen or copied for the benefit of the stealer. Students guilty of this deserve to be kicked out of academia, academia is about trust. But, in the case of a forgotten citation or a brief spell of accidentally equivalent wording, academia should be about understanding.

I understand that we as citizens of this great Earth should be trained in such a way that we can contribute to the society that has molded us. But we must still question the system. Relational power in the sense that I (a subject) have power over you (another subject) is much more apparent and obvious than the subtleties of structural power in which a system (an object) has incredible unquestioning power over me (a subject). I cannot resist, I cannot rationalize with an object, that's ludicrous. I have to work within the parameters of a bell-curve type system so that I can alter the system (since one can never get out of a relationship with a system one should be able to alter it if one finds a problem with it).

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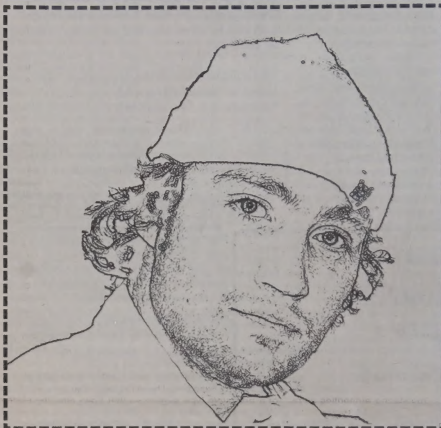


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The fact that there is a system is not the problem (unless one wants to resort to anarchy), the problem is that the system has been taught to us as good, just and the only way that things work, any deviance from the system is deemed wrong, sometimes even blasphemous.

Now, what am I talking about here? Am I talking about the capitalist system that we live in right now, or the Nazi regime, or am I talking of something much more simplistic and unimportant...? As a matter of fact I am. The structure of form that has been placed upon us since high school English class drives me to bananas. And the added rules and regulations for citations: periods, commas, colons, italics, underlines. Goodness, isn't institutional bureaucracy enough that we don't need academic bureaucracy as well? I apologize, I don't mean to say that the citation styles that we learn at school are useless. I want to publish a few papers in my lifetime too, and will have to adhere to the styles that the publishers demand. But three or four different citation styles (each having their own merits and drawbacks) is hellish for a liberal arts student [cringe]. To learn a basic style for basic citations is no problem but to adhere to every sentence in a style manual lingering on every well-formed description on how to cite and format one's paper is ridiculous. Ick, chalk me down for a minimal pass. Which has become more important, content or form?

Presentability, readability, neatness, and simplicity are all important things but are very subjective matters. On that point, I guess the quality of content is also subjective as well. But that doesn't change my belief that content is much more important than form, and not on a marking chart breakdown but in the whole of a paper. Even if Einstein's articles weren't in good form, they still had revolutionary content. But I had better stop before I begin my critique on the subjects of spelling and grammar...

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Classifieds

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The Augustana Nordisk Klubb

is hosting...

A Norway 2005 Centennial Celebration.

The event will include music, Norwegian trivia, good food, beverages and door prizes. Special Guests include the band 'Fundamental Things' with vocalist Myra Marshall and Robert Renman on guitar.

This will take place in the Augustana Coffee House on **Sunday March 13, 2005**, between 3:00 and 5:00.

All are welcome!

For more information please contact Lee at 608-2652 or lcolson@augustana.ca

HOROSCOPES

Pisces (Feb 20 - Mar 20) When filling out your program planning form next year take a course you think you would hate. Just so that you can complain all semester. And if you're graduating pick someone's courses for them.

Aries (Mar 21 - Apr 20) Submit an article of your thoughts to the Dag...if you have any...

Taurus (Apr 21 - May 21) Drop out of school.

Gemini (May 22 - Jun 21) Try to take a prof home with you from the bar...it's not that hard, trust me

Cancer (Jun 22 - Jul 22) Take a break, don't work too hard, there's less than two months of school left and more important things are at hand

Leo (Jul 23 - Aug 22) Quit smoking whatever you smoke and start smoking something else...

Virgo (Aug 23 - Sep 23) Attend all of the 'new faculty candidate' presentations. While in attendance keep your hand raised. "Ooh, ooh! Are you a Lutheran? What kind of car do you drive? What do you think of the Kyoto accord? Do you have any Norwegian in you?"

Libra (Sep 24 - Oct 23) Be a rebel and go to class, or at least go to the midterm

Scorpio (Oct 24 - Nov 22) You have too much work to do! You should adopt the 48hr clock! Go to class and work on papers for 36hrs straight and then sleep for 12 hours. Get the results you've been looking for!

Sagittarius (Nov 23 - Dec 21) It's time to start thinking about asking that piece of eye-candy out on a date quit admiring the colour coordination and just get it over with

Capricorn (Dec 22 - Jan 20) Vote-for somebody in the upcoming Students' Association election, or spoil your ballot because that's a lot of fun too!

Aquarius (Jan 21 - Feb 19) Quit hindering other people, just because you're a slacker doesn't mean that other people can afford to waste their time lollygagging around, honestly! You should be ashamed of yourself. And quit having those mini-brain strokes...they're not that healthy for you

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The Medical Arts

Are doctors scientists? They know a lot about some scientific things... But science is about discovery and experimentation, and the uncovering of so called 'truths'. Do doctors do this? I don't think so. My experience with doctors is that they use the knowledge that they have obtained from their science training to perform a task that must be done. They diagnose, they prescribe, they operate. They are often even right in their diagnoses and correct in their prescriptions and successful in their operations. But, they can be wrong and they can screw up and I think that we should get into the habit of accepting this. I really hate how becoming a doctor is portrayed as the most esteemed occupation choice possible for a child. I understand that they do good work and that they are important and that it is not easy to be a doctor, but while I was growing up the air around doctors was that they should be infallible and that a good one actually was. I am now beginning to accept the truth, doctors are not demigods, rather, they are tradesmen and artists, and well paid ones at that.

Doctors are thought of by most people as the givers of scientific truth, and when there is nothing that a doctor can do for a certain individual that individual feels cheated, like science has forsaken them. Doctors do what they are trained to do. They are smart. They are intelligent. But they do not know everything. Whenever I get sick I get a little pissy and think that there should be some way of fixing

my illness immediately... I always kind of think that way... We are living in the 21st century, aren't we? It seems like there should be a solution for everything. But that is an issue that deals with science and society, not the practice of medicine. Medicine is a strange discipline that sits currently at the interstice between technology, science, and art, but this was not always the case...

At one point in time it was thought of as crude to actually use science in any practical way. Science was in effect a high form of knowledge which was intrinsically good, never being used for extrinsic purposes. For example, the circulation of blood in the body was discovered circa 1750 which scientifically proved the inefficacy of bleeding as a treatment; BUT the technique of bleeding in the medical practice was continued until circa 1850. This seems like complete idiocy to us. For now, if science proves something doesn't work it is no longer practiced. This makes a lot more sense.

The acceptance of science as a helpful tool in our society in fields such as medicine and other technology-based practices has led to the formation of many problems. One of the problems science has caused in society is that people often want proof that something works, they want to know why, how, and which scientist says that some treatment will be good for them. This constant need for scientific proof is why chiropractic treatment, acupuncture, and massage therapy have

by Jeremy Wideman

received so much flack in recent years. They have much less scientific backing and, apparently, a lot more error. But just because there isn't scientific backing for something doesn't mean that it isn't true, especially if that something actually works.

I know that there are a lot of skeptics out there. I was one at one point too, but then I hurt my back and got it fixed by a chiropractor. I know that chiropractors can make mistakes and bad things have happened to people's backs, but doctors have made mistakes too, even with all of their scientific backing. This leads me to believe that chiropractic, acupuncture and the like are not all that different from 'traditional western medicine'. In that none of them are for sure, none of them are objective representations of how to fix what is wrong with someone's health. They are all 'Medical Arts' in which the artists have specialized skills that are honed to help out in a specific way, some have more 'objective' backing whereas others have only the backing of results and what people say about it.

My philosophy regarding the medical arts is resonant of a popular Sloan song -If it feels good do it- if it works, it works, and different things work for different people. Scientific backing will come around sometime, it just hasn't progressed enough to include chiropractic, acupuncture or massage therapy. Someday they too will be incorporated into our ever developing technologically scientific world and be compatible with the current practice of medicine.

STUPID ANTI-GLARE COATING!!!

also by
Jeremy
Wideman

Eye glasses have been around for the better part of a millennium, they were one of the only scientific progressions of the so called dark ages. In the past 800 or so years many inventions and innovations have made eyeglasses better to serve the average individuals needs. But, in the past few years a new development (that optometrists swear by) has come onto the market: Anti-glare coating! This formidable optional accessory can be added to your new pair of glasses for a nominal charge. And with this coating you will be able to see better when the sun is shining in your face.

This bonus comes with a few drawbacks... You can NOT wipe your glasses with your shirt. You can NOT wipe your glasses with a kleenex. You can NOT wipe your glasses while they are dry. To clean your glasses you should have a purse with a special spray in it as well as a specially designed hanky which will clean your glasses without scratching them while spreading the necessary watery wetness around until they air-dry. I don't know about the rest of you, but I know that I can clean my glasses over ten times a day. Glasses just get dirty. I don't know what kind of people the promoters of this anti-glare coating are, but they mustn't ever sweat or play sports, and if they do they can afford a special pair of glasses for this function, or take time-outs every 3 minutes to clean their glasses, or, the most likely case: they're too neerdy to get the ball passed to them anyway. They mustn't have a significant other either. I would have to attest that a significant other is the number one cause of dirty glasses, a little nudge here, a little smudge there... oh sorry honey, I have to go clean my friggin glasses. But not these people, they love their anti-glare coating so much that they just say "not tonight honey, I'm wearing my glasses, maybe tomorrow we'll have a special party and I'll wear contacts."

In my opinion anti-glare coating is like a drug that kind of works and it's the only drug on the market for a certain illness so it will make money no matter what. The drug won't do that but it will make a lot of money, and that's all people really care about anyway.

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- Don't stress out about your course load: you won't remember 3/4 of what you've learned anyway.
- Only take 4 courses per semester, 3 is even better, if you have the time and money.
- Don't take courses that don't sound interesting or fulfill something for your core curriculum.
- Switch your major if you don't like what you're doing, there's no shame in following a passion.
- Remember that school isn't just about school. There are people to see and things to do.
- Go to a play or two, a music performance and some athletic events--they are worth going to.
- Find something other to do than go to O. C.'s
- And if you go to Mexico, Don't take the bus...



Marching on to Mania

Top Ten List

by Steve Hansen

March is a busy month here at Augustana. Events and commitments seem to crowd the calendar, and there is scarcely a moment to spare for more important matters... such as keeping one's sanity! Here are just a few indications that our faculty may be losing its faculties:

1. While in Costa Rica to study the habitat of primates, Augustana's own musical primate, Oly, finds a musical counterpart in a banjo-playing francophone orangutan named Doris.
2. Augustana's Women's Basketball team, after being defeated by Concordia, concedes their match against Lethbridge with a half-time pillow fight, leaving the Vikings with 4th place in the province, but 1st place in viewer ratings.
3. To celebrate International Women's Day, March 8, Dr. Tim Parker indulges in a steamy body wrap, buys a tub of cookie dough ice cream, and rents *Bridget Jones's Diary*.
4. To help promote the 2005 Art Show, March 18-19, Dr. Keith Harder combines the schools of realism and cubism and paints himself as a square.
5. After years of marking university papers, Augustana Vikings coach Gary Snyder is asked to keep his efforts at the hockey rink when Dr. Roger Epp discovers he can't read.
6. In an attempt to raise voter turn-out for the student elections, March 15-16, the Students' Association adopts the theme *The SA Apprentice* and students may vote to "fire" their least favourite council member. Still, nobody cares.
7. With graduation only 2 months away, Augustana registrar Jonathan Hawkins announces that merger difficulties will prevent grads from receiving either U of A or Augustana degrees. Parchments, he confirms, are being graciously donated by ICS Home Learning.
8. At World Music Night, March 12, Augustana's Dr. John Otto Olson performs traditional disco music from his home planet of Zorkon.
9. With Augustana poised to offer a Bachelor of Education program, the idea surfaces that students could gain valuable elementary school work experience by teaching Geo 120 to freshmen.
10. Augustana's Dr. Milton Schlosser, ardent avant-gardist, announces his newest series of piano compositions. Based on numerical calculations of his 2003 and 2004 taxes, Schlosser's works illustrate "a tonal colour change" between Augustana's and the U of A's faculty salaries.

Dedicated to Gateway reporter Caitlin Crawshaw

Ethical Money

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A couple of weeks ago, I decided to revisit my savings account which I had smartly invested in mutual funds while in high school. I had decided that I was no longer interested in placing my money in the hands of international equity managers whose sole goal was to generate maximum return for their clients. I simply wanted to invest my money in something less aggressive such as T-Bills or the Money Market. So I entered the bank and booked an appointment to see an investment agent.

I was told that the bank's

policy required the agent to present me with an investment objective questionnaire, and that the agent's abilities to adjust my investments were bound to the results of the questionnaire. Strange, I thought, but I decided to comply with the process.

I was asked questions such as my age, my approximate income, and the expected lifetime of the investment. The questions were multiple-choice and elementary in nature, and I answered them all in less than a minute.

The questionnaire calculated the optimum amount of risk which I should assume in order to maximize

my investment potential. It showed that I required 75% fixed-income and 25% growth, categories which denote the kinds of investments offered by the bank. I told the investment agent that I wished to place 100% of my investment into fixed-income.

My wish, said the agent, could not be processed unless it was in accordance with the outcome of the questionnaire. I was incredulous. How could the bank prevent me from putting my money into an investment with less risk? I can understand the desire to prevent clients from losing their savings in risky investments, but how can the bank require me to "maximize my investment

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(A replacement for the cheese part of mac and cheese)

Take 1/3 of a cup of lime (or lemon) juice

(it sounds like a lot but trust me)

place into a well oiled shallow frying pan on medium heat

add a teaspoon of red chile peppers

simmer lightly for 5 min

quickly add 2 1/2 teaspoons of baking soda while stirring

after settling pour one half cup of milk into the mixture

stir often, add flour to thicken

use parsley and white pepper for added 'hizza'



Jacob, Augustana's Norfolk pine, represents Augustana's Lutheran heritage. It was entrusted to us shortly after the merger, and is now slowly dying...

potential?"

I told the investment agent that I wanted to redo the questionnaire until I achieved the result I desired. He saw that I was a determined client, and decided to acquiesce.

In the end, I was able to adjust my investment portfolio to better reflect my ideology. I couldn't help but wonder, however, how many people simply follow the elementary "advice" of the bank and are led to believe that the world of investments has no connection to values or ethics.

The truth is that there are far more investment choices than major banks and investment firms offer—investment choices which actually reflect a person's

values and ethics.

Banks and investment firms must start to recognize that investments are not to be based solely upon homogenous, "objective" assessments of clients' finances.

He rises just in time to see the stars emerge 4:30 seems so late in December Driving by three churches on his way to work He wonders 'when I die, will I go to heaven?'

He only works until one so, There's enough time after work to be another me on

But maybe I should call my daughter instead I haven't talked to her in three years'